

1) Choose the correct tense, **past perfect simple** or **past perfect continuous**.

- 1 How long had you _____ the flat before you sold it?
- 2 My shoes were dirty because _____ in the garden.
- 3 She had _____ to drive for six years but she still failed her driving test.
- 4 Had you ever _____ Holland before you started learning Dutch?
- 5 I was thirsty because I'd _____ football all morning.
- 6 James told the police officer that he _____ the accident.
- 7 After I'd _____ the letter, I threw it in the bin.
- 8 I had _____ for two hours so I took a break.

2) Complete the sentences with the **past perfect simple** or **past perfect continuous** form of the verbs in brackets.

- 1 The ground was wet because it _____ (rain).
- 2 When the bus finally arrived, I _____ (wait) for over half an hour.
- 3 Jane _____ so much that I hardly recognized her.
- 4 Matthew's hands were covered in oil. He _____ (mend) his bike.
- 5 They _____ (know) each other for six years when they got married, but they _____ only _____ (go) out for a year.
- 6 Their hands were freezing. They _____ (make) snowmen.
- 7 Tom _____ (play) the piano for three years when he took the exam.